



21<sup>st</sup> November, 2016

Dear Parents,

As per our most recent newsletter, PBC will be implementing a school-wide Care Class and House Structure into student timetables from 2017 onwards. The introduction of such an initiative will only further strengthen relationships within our school and provide students with an increased sense of community.

The proposed changes to the timetable structure will greatly impact Wednesdays, and the allocated time normally reserved for Year 12 studies of the QCS Program. The QCS Program remains an integral part of Year 12 and the calculation of your students OP (Overall Position). As a result of these changes, the school timetable for all OP-eligible Year 12 students will be slightly amended as follows:

- Timetabled Year 12 QCS lesson to occur between 8am – 9am each Wednesday morning for Terms 1, 2 and 3.
- Year 12 QCS students will then be afforded an early finish each Wednesday, allowing them to depart school early at 1:30pm (rather than 2:30pm) given the extra hour in the day.

Please note that OP-eligible students who still wish to partake in Interschool Sport and recreational sports such as the Musical will do so on a voluntary basis, as they will be required to attend until 2:30pm each Wednesday in alignment with the rest of the school.

These changes will furthermore allow QCS students increased face-to-face teaching time with their QCS teacher. The morning sessions will allow for a 60-minute tuition time as opposed to the usual 35-minute across Semester 1. It is projected that this change will assist in preparing our Year 12 students as best we can for the QCS Exams that take place at the end of Term 3, 2017.

Kind Regards,

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